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Current Comment.

Chairman Cannon, of the house appropriations committee has presented a statement of the appropriations made at the present session of congress showing a total of \$750,000,000, not including the large amounts that will be required for the isthmian canal and public building and river and harbor contracts. In this statement Mr. Cannon says:

"An analysis of this table shows that the total estimated expenditures forecast by the executive departments aggregated \$770,348,318; that the total appropriations made, exclusive of \$50,130,000 toward the isthmian canal, aggregate \$750,000,000.

After giving in detail the appropriations under each bill, Mr. Cannon says: "It is not inappropriate here to advert to the fact that the expenditures for the past two fiscal years, 1900 and 1901, show that during that period there has been applied to the sinking fund more than \$113,000,000, a sum greater than the law actually requires, and which exceeds the whole amount applied to the extinguishment of the public debt during all of the nine fiscal years from 1891 to 1899, inclusive.

"During the four years of President Cleveland's last administration, from 1893 to 1896, inclusive, only \$13,400,047 was applied to the payment of the public debt, while during the same period, that administration issued bonds to the extent of \$262,315,400 in order to raise money wherewith to pay current expenses and to maintain the public credit."

One feature about the Democratic primaries held in St. Louis is calculated to make country Democrats feel unpleasant. According to the call for the convention, each ward in St. Louis was entitled to one delegate for every 500 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Bryan in 1900. Bryan's vote in St. Louis in 1900, swelled by repeaters, was 10,000 larger than in 1896. In the rest of the state Bryan's vote in 1900 was 21,000 smaller than in 1896. Through ballot box stuffing St. Louis gains twenty delegates in the Democratic state convention, while the rural Democrats lose forty-two delegates. It will be observed that country Democrats get it in the neck in St. Louis to the extent of sixty-two delegates. And the state board delegate mill grinds its machine grist in Kansas City and St. Joseph as well as in St. Louis.

Twelve St. Louis young ladies recently organized an anti-man club, and pledged themselves to have no beaux. Six of them are now married, and several of the others are engaged. It is probably working out according to design.

A lady had \$28 stolen out of her stocking one day last week. It has always been a mystery to us why women will conceal their valuables and money habitually in their stockings. It seems as though a stocking is the unhappiest place about a woman to keep money and have to pull it out every few minutes to buy something. A woman at a bargain counter with the money in her stocking would be left standing at the wire.

The president has formally declared the restoration of peace in the Philippine archipelago and has placed the islands under complete civil control, and has extended general amnesty to the Filipinos who have been in rebellion. These three things, marking one of the most important chapters in Philippine history, were accomplished through the issue of three separate orders and proclamation, one by the president over his signature, extending amnesty; one through Secretary Root, by the president's order, relieving General Chaffee from his duties as military governor, and a third, which takes the shape of a general order, addressed to the entire army of the United States, in which Secretary Root takes occasion to express the president's high appreciation of the work it has accomplished, both Cuba in and in the Philippines.

The following comment from the St. Louis Star touches an important matter occupying the attention of the people of Missouri:

Mr. J. A. Parkes, expert accountant, has carefully reviewed so much of his report as refers to the twice-paid bonds, and by analytical figures conclusively shows that no mistake was made in his first statement. As yet the state authorities have made no actual effort to disprove the statement of Mr. Parkes, and it is doubtful if any will be made. It is an old and truthful adage that "figures won't lie," and Mr. Parkes' statement is based solely upon figures.

And it is necessary to remember that Mr. Parkes' figures are entirely from Democratic official reports. He has confined himself strictly to the printed reports of Democratic state auditors and a constitutional ordinance framed and printed by Democrats in 1875. Mr. Parkes' figures are all Democratic, and his deductions are merely the application of the simple rules of arithmetic.

UNCLE SAM'S BIRTHDAY.

Thousands of Visitors Assist Our Patriotic Citizens in Honoring the Nation's Natal Day.

When Oregon promises a fine exhibition and a good time she always tries to fulfill her promises, and the praise of enthusiastic crowds at the close of our Fourth of July celebration Friday last, gave evidence that the city's pledges were made good on this as well as upon other occasions.

As good weather is one of the most necessary requisites for having a good time, the early risers of the city were somewhat dubious as to the outcome of the day's performances when they beheld the lowering aspect of the sky. The clouds hung about all day; the wind blew cool and refreshing, and occasionally old Sol would peep around the corner of some cloud, and smile upon the crowd. The people came however, feeling that there would be no storm, and should there be one, ample shelter was at hand for everyone.

If the appearance of the sky was somewhat threatening it was more than offset by the radiant appearance of the city. From almost every window in the vicinity of the public square flags, banners and bunting were floating, and the red, white and blue was displayed in every possible place and every conceivable manner.

Our people have every reason to be proud of their celebration. The beautiful court house park was decorated with electric lights, a large and handsomely decorated stand, around which seats were placed capable of accommodating several hundred people. Every detail as arranged by the executive committee was carefully and explicitly carried out by the various sub-committees.

Music in abundance was furnished by our local talent and was of a very high order. The celebrated and highly popular Cameron band furnished the instrumental music and was of their characteristic high class music. It has a national reputation, and was organized over 30 years ago, and but one of its original members is now with the band, and during that time no death has occurred within its ranks. It has had a standing challenge of \$5,000 out, as the best drilled band in the country, which has never yet been accepted. It has captured first prizes at Minneapolis, Washington, St. Louis, Denver and Kansas City. Its organization is composed of business men and has done more to advertise the city of Cameron than anything else. The following compose the organization:

John Miller, major.
C. E. Estep, bass.
C. L. Rutherford, baritone.
E. G. Shreve, trombone.
C. O. Hake, trombone.
Geo. Pollard, alto.
T. M. Gregor, alto.
R. W. Williams, alto.
Chas. Weaver, cornet.
E. Kenrick, cornet.
M. Long, cornet.
F. Turner, clarinet.
Wm. Rolf, clarinet.
O. S. Brown, clarinet.
D. K. Harper, saxophone.
Roy Neff, saxophone.
T. Smith, tenor drum.
Wm. Hakes, bass drum.

O. S. Brown is the business manager and D. K. Harper is the musical director. Our people were not only well pleased but delighted with the excellent service this organization gave us.

The president of the day, Prof. Coburn was in his place, as president of the day, and he was happy in his place. He kept things moving and he allowed nothing to drag. Following vocal and instrumental numbers, Miss Lucille Sawyers read the Declaration in a most excellent manner; this little lady has quite a reputation as a recitationist, and she maintained her reputation on this occasion.

Professor Coburn made the address of welcome. He spoke of the objects of our celebration and gave the people the keys of the city, and the fullness of the day's joys. His address was very happy and appropriate and the audience which was by this time several thousand, took the professor at his word and being then dismissed for dinner, took the town by storm.

At 1:30 p. m. the little "tots" gave their popular flag drill, in which they dressed to represent the various nations, each carrying a flag of the nation they represented. Their drill was upon a large platform on the street on the north side of the square, and on concluding their drill they were greeted with three huzzars and a tiger from the vast crowd. This feature was in charge of Miss Edith Dungan, assisted by Miss Amy Hennessey as organist. The following children participated:

Nellie Ramsay, Laura Linville, Ethel McGhee, Vivian McDermott, repre-

sented the Dutch.

The Puritans were: Mary Hostetter, Mary Price, Lota Kennedy, Vera Allen. The Irish: Nellie Graham, Clara Clark, Aileen Allen, Jessie Ramsay. The Scotch: Leta Russell, Francis Biggs, Bettie Beeler, Pearl Richardson. The French: Mabel Dillon, Cora Rayhill, Kate Graham, Mary Zook.

The German: Hazel K-aney, Esther Werty, Myrtle Pennel, Blanche Markland.

The Spanish: Anna Curry, Elza Musser, Lorraine King, Louisa Holtgreve.

America: Mary Moore.

The people then gathered around the grand stand, where vocal and instrumental musical numbers were rendered, and the President of the Day then introduced Dr. Lytle, of Maryville, the orator of the day. He is one of the best public speakers in the state, and his address was along educational and patriotic lines. He made many excellent points in favor of general education and the proper training of children. Special stress was laid on individuality in training and citizenship. Character building was dwelt upon and the speaker reminded his audience of the fact that America was the product of the greatest elements of the 15th and 16th centuries, and to our origin was due in great degree our greatness. The greatest age of German religious revival and reformation, the greatest age of English literature and philosophy, the splendor of Italian art and the glory of Castilian chivalry, all contributed to the tide of humanizing excellencies which were moulded together into the American nationality. The new environment was conducive to growth and development and now this amalgamation of talents and characteristics producing their natural results placed us in the lead of modern progress and civilization. The remainder of the afternoon was given up to music and general enjoyment.

In the evening, the young Misses composing the bicycle club, gave a pleasing display drill. The club is composed of Misses: Anna Curry, Mary Zook, Mary Evans, Mary Moore, Jessie Ramsay, Bonnie Greene, Eva Hunt, Louise Holtgreve, Hazel Kearney, Emma Price, Blanche Markland, Lucille Sawyers.

Master Maurice Pitts personated the clown and his antics greatly amused the crowd. Miss Emma Price was captain of the club during the drill.

The Cameron band then gave their famous military display drill, which won enthusiastic plaudits from the people. After the supper hour, the band occupied the stand, and gave a concert which lasted until 10 o'clock.

The Vestal Virgins gave their popular drill, beginning at 9 p. m. which lasted for half an hour. It was composed of a dozen young Misses, who were robed in Roman gowns of pure white, each carried an electric torch, and as they entered the stand every light in the park and stand went out; their moving figure of white, could only faintly be seen by the aid of the electric torch, and as they were supposed to be emerging from their retreat, the lights were suddenly turned on, presenting a most beautiful and fascinating picture long to be remembered. Their movements, evolutions and poses were gracefully performed and without a mistake—in their positions representing the nudes of tragedy, astronomy, history, etc., they stood as marble statues, scarcely a muscle could be seen to move. They as well as the bicycle club should maintain their organization, and repeat a drill weekly or at least bi-monthly; so should the little "tots" composing the flag drill. The Vestal Virgins were in command of the Misses Bernice and Lois Richards and were composed of the Misses:

Hazel Morris, Bessie Meyer, Alice Rayhill, Hattie Spencer, Abbie Kreek, Myrtle Fuhrman, Aggie Kreek, Mary Biggs, Dora Bridge, Bonnie Greene, Beulah Stephenson, Lois Richards.

These features closed the day's program, and our visitors scattered for homes, loud in their praises of the character of entertainment given them by the citizens of Oregon. Great credit is due the various committees and to those ladies who helped to prepare the flag brigade, the vestal virgins, the bicycle club, etc. It was a great day; full of attractive features. Delegations were present from every town in the county, besides goodly attendance from St. Joseph, White Cloud, Savannah, Fillmore, Skidmore, Highland and other points. It is a safe estimate we think, to say fully 5,000 people were here to enjoy the festivities of the day.

The St. Joseph Horse Show.

The Burlington Route has made a one-and-one-third rate for those desiring to attend the St. Joseph Horse Show. Good going July 14 to 17 and return limit July 18.

County Court.

The regular June term of our county court was held this week, all the judges being present.

L. L. Moore filed his annual report showing the balances to the credit of the various school districts.

Jos. G. Wilson was chosen as road commissioner of district 6, Benton township, to fill the unexpired term of J. M. Duncan.

William Marriner was adjudged insane and ordered sent to the St. Joseph asylum.

The assessment to the amount of \$12,500 against the Dr. Haken estate was found erroneous, the same having been distributed to the heirs of the estate, prior to date of assessment.

Circuit Clerk Hogrefe filed his report showing petit jury scrip issued for the recent April term, was \$553.70; for the adjourned term, \$185.65. Fines imposed, \$1480 and fines collected \$435.00.

It will be remembered that the bridge built and known as the Gaskill bridge gave away while an engine was being hauled over it. The court at once took steps to hold the contractor responsible under the contract made with the county and another structure was at once ordered. John H. Sparks was the contractor and during the present term Mr. Sparks came forward and made the contract good by reimbursing the county for the building of the new bridge, amounting to \$143.00, which the court ordered placed to the credit of the road and bridge fund. By this prompt action on the part of the court, the loss is made good to the county, and Mr. Sparks did the right thing.

The treasurer was ordered to make a payment of \$117.98 on an old outstanding Corning Ditch warrant, which is held by Montgomery and Norman.

The following petit jurors were drawn for the August term of circuit court: Bigelow—Edward Vest.

Benton—Joseph Ferguson, R. E. Decker, Harvey Finney, N. Browning. Clay—Wm. H. Shields, Elmer Bart-ram, Joseph Heblitzell.

Forbes—Charles Markt, Jno. Knox. Forest—E. J. Moberly, H. S. Teare. Hickory—G. W. Glenn.

Lewis—C. W. Lukens, W. H. Wood, G. L. Cummins.

Liberty—H. G. Nauman, Jno C. Heck, Lincoln—J. W. Mitchell.

Minton—Wm. Kee. Nodaway—F. W. Darnell.

Union—J. J. Grindstaff, John Speer, Arch Crews.

The building of the following bridges were let to Gilligan & Co., at the prices named:

An 18 foot pile bridge, six miles northwest of Mound City.....\$188 00

An 18 foot pile bridge, seven miles northwest of Mound City 147 00

An 18 foot pile bridge, three miles northeast of Craig..... 143 00

Repairing a 30 foot combination bridge, four miles northwest of Mound City..... 310 00

A 22 foot pile bridge, seven miles north of Mound City..... 152 00

A 2 panel, 40 foot pile bridge, eight miles north of Mound City..... 238 00

A 22 foot pile bridge, ten miles northeast of Mound City..... 156 00

A 3 panel, 50 foot pile bridge, nine miles northeast of Mound City..... 253 00

A 22 foot pile bridge, six miles northeast of Mound City..... 147 00

A 22 foot pile bridge, two miles northwest of New Point..... 171 00

A 26 foot pile bridge, one and one-half miles northeast of Mound City..... 278 00

A 22 foot pile bridge, seven miles northeast of Mound City..... 163 00

A 26 foot pile bridge, six miles northeast of Craig..... 168 00

A 40 foot bridge, one mile south of Matland..... 583 00

The total amounting to \$3,107, and the court ordered the appropriation from the special road and bridge fund.

The account of the Insane asylum of St. Joseph, for the care of the county's wards for the six months ending January, 1903, amounting to \$1,078.25 was allowed. The following is a list of the wards and the amount required for their care for the six months:

George Gage..... \$86 25

John Bowen..... 67 25

John Shutte..... 70 65

Sebastian Huba..... 66 45

Wm. Baker..... 70 55

Fred Vollmers..... 67 70

Berry Meek..... 71 15

H. Prichard..... 68 00

A. Kezer..... 70 00

Wm. Peters..... 113 90

Laura Caton..... 67 80

Artemesia Drury..... 68 50

Martha Gillis..... 73 05

Rachael Brownlee..... 71 10

Sarah Dickson..... 65 10

It requires \$13 per annum to board each patient at the asylum, and the above items include board and such clothing as has been furnished each patient. Thus it will be seen that the

annual cost to Holt county to care for her insane alone, costs over \$2,000.

A committee consisting of Messrs. E. D. Shellenberger, Gus. Roecker and Charles Wehrli, waited upon the court and stated that the business men had arranged for the expenditures of \$60 per month toward putting the Bigelow and Mound City road in repair and to keep it in repair. They asked that the court contribute a like sum toward putting in culverts, etc. The court ordered an appropriation of \$60.

Criminal cost bills amounting to \$89.95 was filed by the circuit clerk, and a warrant was ordered for the amount.

Judge G. W. Pullen.

In obedience to the wish and earnest solicitation of many of the citizens of this portion of our county, Judge Pullen has consented to the use of his name as a candidate to go before the Republican convention for re-nomination for the office of Judge of the county court from the first district. Mr. Pullen is now serving his first time, and his every official act and vote has always been in the interest of the people. He is liberal minded and conservative in his views and looks at all public matters in a careful and business like manner. Judge Pullen has made a most excellent, capable judge, and while slow and cautious in arriving at a decision, he stands by it manfully when he does make a decision. The Republicans of the first district should not forget the claims of Forbes township when they ask for the re-nomination of Judge Pullen, when they nominate their ticket next month.

Death of Frederick Hoffman.

Frederick Hoffman, Sr., one of our old and very best citizens, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Noellach, on Saturday last, July 5, 1902, at the age of 86 years. He was born in Waukenheim, Wurtemberg, Germany, September 28, 1816. He came to this country in 1854, and settled at New Albany, Ind., and from there he went to Nebraska City, Neb. in 1859, and in 1863 he came to Holt county, where he has since resided. He was married to Louisa Muler, June 11, 1844, who died April 6, 1878. He leaves a sister, 5 children and 24 grand-children. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Seikman, of the German M. E. church on Sunday last, 6th inst, the remains being laid to rest in the German M. E. cemetery.

The children and immediate relatives desire to thank those neighbors and friends for their kind aid and help rendered them during the illness and death of Father Hoffman.

Shot to Kill.

Jesse Patten, a twenty-year-old farmer boy, living near Skidmore, was probably fatally wounded in a row at Skidmore Tuesday night, July 8th, 1902. He was shot twice through the body by Lee Peters. He is now in the St. Francis Hospital in St. Joseph, with little or no hope of recovery.

The shooting occurred in the hardware store of French Brothers. It is generally supposed to have been the result of a long-standing feud between Patton and the younger of the Peter brothers, whose ages range from nineteen to thirty-five years. Just how the quarrel began is not known, but at any event pretty soon there was a general mixup. Patton, appreciating his desperate situation, outnumbered as he was four to one, made terrific resistance with a corn knife, and almost cut off the two arms of Claude Patton, hacking them like so many blocks of wood. Lee Peters drew his gun and fired several times at Patton. Two shots took effect. One went through the back and came out at one side of the abdomen. This wound will probably prove fatal. As soon as Patton fell, his assailants fled. The quartet made their way home. Shortly afterward Claude and George started for Maryville to have the former's wounds dressed. About five miles from the city they were met by the sheriff and his posse, which had gone out to search for them. Both were placed under arrest. Claude exhibited unusual nerve while his wounds were being dressed. Russell and Elbridge were later arrested.

Half Fare Rate to St. Joseph Horse Show.

The citizens of St. Joseph will undoubtedly build a Convention Hall. Every indication points in that direction. Many ways and means are used to further this enterprise. On July 15, 16 and 17, with a matinee on the 17th, the Convention Hall Committee will give a Horse Show at the baseball park for the benefit of this fund. A half rate on the railroad has been promised. The numerous entries have filled all the classes to overflowing, and it will be the largest horse show that will be given in St. Joseph for some time to come. The admission fee will be 25 cents, and the prizes offered by the citizens are very liberal on every class.

HE USED A KNIFE.

William Mariner, Puts a Knife Into the Anatomy of His Brother-in-Law.

William Mariner, is a young man of about 25 years of age, who for a year or two has been mentally unbalanced at times. He has been making his home at times with his brother-in-laws, of whom he has three, Phil. Schlotzhauer, Seiburn Carson and John Lovelady. At times he is perfectly rational, but at others he becomes so unbalanced that he becomes desperate and vicious, and his relations become alarmed and fearful of him—but like all such cases, the dread of the asylum has deterred them from consenting to place him there.

He was here on the 4th of July, and told his brother-in-law that "the sign pointed out his man," and further investigation disclosed the fact that he had on his person a well loaded revolver, and the "sign pointed to Dr. Aiken." He was carefully guarded during the day, and in the evening returned to the home of Mr. Lovelady completely quieted and seemingly rational. Early Sunday morning, July 6, 1902, he suddenly became wild and vicious, and attacked Mr. Lovelady with his pocket knife, and struck him in the left shoulder, the blade penetrating only a short distance, and making only a slight wound. It took the entire strength of Mr. Lovelady and members of the household to control him.

Information was at once brought to this city and deputy sheriffs Graham and Molter went to the home of Mr. Lovelady where they found the man considerably quieted; they brought him to this city, and on Monday he was tried before the county court, and found to be insane, and he was at once taken to the St. Joseph asylum by Deputy Sheriff Graham. When asked by the officers why he stabbed Lovelady, he replied: "The wrong man got in the way."

HIS LIFE CRUSHED OUT.

Raymond Whitehead Has His Skull Crushed and Dies Instantly.

Our community was shocked on Thursday last, July 3, 1902, when the news reached this city, that Raymond Whitehead had suddenly lost his life in a sad and unexpected manner.

He and some helpers were building a cow shed on his farm, northwest of Oregon, near Daniel Burrier's. They were all helping to raise a log as a sleeper and were putting it in its position, and it became overbalanced and slipped from its position, the butt end of which came down and struck Mr. Whitehead on the right side of his skull, crushing it into a frightful mass and causing his instant death.

Coroner Aiken was at once called by telephone and immediately went to the scene, and at once decided that an inquest was not necessary. The remains were at once removed to his home.

The deceased was born in Ripley county, Ind., August 16, 1875. February 19, 1899 he was married to Maggie F. Shoerling, who is completely overcome by the sudden and sad death of her husband. He united with the M. E. church in 1894, and had lived a faithful devoted Christian life. He was a most exemplary young man, and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of not only his neighbors, but of his personal acquaintance. He was industrious, careful, frugal and was just beginning to realize the benefits of his industrious life, by the ownership of a nicely arranged farm, which soon would be free from any incumbrance. He leaves a heart broken wife and two small children, also a mother, sister and brother to mourn his sudden taking off. Funeral services were conducted Sunday last, by the Rev. F. Fiegenbaum, from the M. E. church, the remains being laid to rest in the Maple Grove cemetery.

Card of Thanks.

Through the columns of THE SENTINEL we wish to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors, who have, in word and deed, showed their sympathy and so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement. May God reward you.

MRS. MARGARET F. WHITEHEAD.
MRS. MAGGIE F. SHIRLING.

Letter List.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the postoffice at Oregon, Mo., for the week ending July 11, 1902:

Jacob Casebolt, (card).
George Ennox.

Parties calling for above will please say, "advertised."

TOM CURRY, Postmaster

—Dr. B. G. Pierce, Dentist, will be at Corning for three straight days next week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 14, 15, 16.